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#### PLAN R. C. HIGH SCHOOLS GEN. WOOD'S WIFE ILL.

#### All Preparatory Schools May Be Made Free.

Before the close of the annual meeting of the Roman Catholic Educational Association, yesterday, the foundation of a free Catholic high school system throughout the United States was laid. The plans under which the system is to be insugurated need now only the approbation of the American hierarchy, headed by Cardinal Gibbons, and if the offer of the colleges is accepted a system of secondary education extending throughout the land will be established representing an endowment of not less than

The system is to be established by turning all the Catholic preparatory colleges now conducted by the religious orders and the Brothers of the Christian Schools into free high schools based on the broader lines indicated by Archbishop Farley in his address to the association last Tuesday. The initiative in this movement was taken by the president of St. Francis Xavier's College in West 16th-st., the Rev. David W. Hearn, who declared in a joint meeting of the colleges and parochial schools departments that he would turn St. Francis Xavier's College into a free high school to-morrow were the hierarchy to assure him that it would be supported.

Father Hearn then roughly traced a plan by which all the preparatory colleges could be The Associated Press assigned to ship news, turned into free high schools, with the same competent faculties, if the hierarchy would agree on a plan for the support of the system. Father Hearn's initiative was concurred in by presidents of the other colleges represented, and, in all probability, will be presented before a meeting of the American hierarchy by Archhishop Farley. It is not unlikely that a special meeting may be called for this purpose within a

The proposed system would include such well known institutions as Manhattan College, St. Francis Xavier's College and others conducted by the Jesuits, Augustinians, Benidictines and Franciscans in New-York, Philadelphia, Baltimore, Fittsburg, St. Louis, Omaha, Chicago and other large centres. While the colleges are willing to make this concession for the improvement of the educational system of the Church in this country, it is already understood that the religious orders which conduct them will not permit the hierarchy to manage its institutions, as Archbishop Farley holds they should. These bodies are jealous of their individual rights canonically established and would probably fight to the last any attempt of the bishops to assume the management even in a discretionary

The association's meeting closed last night with a public rally in Carnegie Hall, at which addresses were made by Archbishop Farley, the Rev. William O'Brien Pardow, S. J., Eugene A Philbin, Luke D. Stapleton and Corporation Counsel John J. Delany. A chorus of five hun-dred boys and girls from the parochial schools sang, and the Catholic Protectory Band fursang, and the Catholic Protectory Band furnished the music. The formal sessions closed earlier in the day with the election of the following officers: President, Monsignor Dennis J. O'Connell. Catholic University, Washington, D. C.; vice-president, the Rev. E. R. Dyer, Baltimore: treasurer, the Rev. Bernard J. Milligan, Camden, N. J. Monsignor O'Connell, in thanking the association for his re-election, read a cable dispatch in Latin received from the Pope in reply to a message sent by Archbishop Farley and himself, asking the Pontifical blessing on the association. The dispatch accorded the favor asked.

#### MYSTERY IN MURDER.

#### Girl Found with Throat Cut-Clews to Slayer.

Belmont, Mass., July 13 .- The Massachusetts district police and the police of Belmont to-night devoted several hours to the investigation of the death of a young woman whose body was found this afternoon near the links of the Arlington Golf Club, over the Belmont town line. The throat had been cut and a deep, jagged wound almost severed the head from the trunk. As soon as the authori-ties saw the body they declared that murder had been committed. The identity of the victim has not been learned, although a large number of persons have seen the body. A pair of cuffs from a man's bine striped shirt were picked up near by There were blood stains on the cuffs. Two stones, weighing about fifteen pounds each and bearing blood stains, were found near the scene of the ourder, and it is thought that the wounds on the head were made by them.

#### TRAMP SAVES TWO LIVES.

#### Stops Runaway Team-Gets \$10 Reward.

LET TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE.]

Bridgeport, Conn., July 13.-The bravery of a tramp saved Mrs. Perrault and her daughter from serious injury, if not death, to-day. Mrs. Perrault is a summer guest at Southport. This morning she and her young daughter drove to this city. In Pairfield-ave, the team of spirited horses became frightened and started to run. Mrs. Perrault was unable to control them and the reins were drawn from her hands and trailed

along under the horses' feet. The carriage swayed from side to side in a perilous manner. John Murray was sitting under a shade tree. He saw the runaway horses and sprang at the

head of one of the horses. His grip was sure and he clung to the bridle until the horses were brought to a standstill.

Mrs. Perrault was grateful and asked the

"I'm John Murray, a tramp," he replied. He was rewarded with a \$10 bill. He smiled, thanked Mrs. Perrault and resumed his seat under the shade tree to enjoy his rest.

#### KING LEOPOLD MEETS J. P. MORGAN.

#### Important Belgian Financial Projects Said to Have Been Discussed.

London, July 13.-King Leopold of Belgium came to Dover from Ostend to-day for the purpose of seeing J. Pierpont Morgan, who took luncheon with the King on board the latter's yacht. After a proonged interview Mr. Morgan returned to Londo It is reported his meeting with the King concerned the financing of important schemes for the devel-opment of the Beigian littoral.

### LOST ON PIKE'S PEAK.

#### Peared that Two Young Women Have Wandered from the Trail.

(BY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE.) Glorado Springs, Col., July 13.-The Misses Edna and Josephine Filter, of Maquoketa. Iowa, may be iont on the slopes of Pike's Peak, and the Sheriff's office has been appealed to for help.

They were members of a burro party of thirty to scend the Peak Tuesday. On the descent they stopped at the Half Way House, intending to take a train from Manitou yesterday.

It is feared they have wandered from the trails and become lost or accidentally killed. A searching party is being organized.

TO CHICAGO OVER NIGHT.

#### A BIG SYSTEM LIKELY. That Is Now Thought the Reason for Their Sudden Trip Home.

[BY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE.] Boston, July 13.-The real reason why Major General Wood came from the Philippines to Boston, it was reported to-day, was to bring his wife to a Boston hospital and place her under the care of physicians upon whose skill he could rely, General and Mrs. Wood came quietly and first stayed at the Touraine. But the general's arrival was heralded abroad, and it was not a day before there were a score of rumors as to his reasons for coming.

Mrs. Wood is now at St. Margaret's Hospital in Mount Vernon-st., in the care of the Sisters of St. Margaret, and under the direction of the Mother Superior. She is not confined to her bed, and no operation has yet been performed, but friends of Mrs. Wood believe that after some weeks' treatment at the hospital there may be an operation

General Wood has been dividing his time between Boston and his old home down in the

#### THREE NEARLY DROWNED

#### Rescuer of Two Men Left Forgotten in Water.

Edwin A. Keegan, a member of the staff of nearly lost his life last night in rescuing two men who were struggling in the Barge Office dock. Keegan was himself rescued at considerable risk by Martin Casey, another newspaper

Harry Oakley, a young negro, living at No. 322 West 40th-st., got out on the Barge Office pier unobserved and leaped overboard directly behind the ship news office. Edward Koenig, an enlisted man of the 8th Infantry, one of the guard stationed at the Governor's Island landing, saw the negro jump and went in after him. The negro was rapidly strangling Koenig when Keegan, who was at work, heard them struggling in the water.

He jumped through the window, over his desk and into the water. Koenig was exhausted, and the negro soon dragged Keegan under water also. All three were rapidly drowning when Lieutenant Perry, of the revenue cutter Manhattan, thrust a ladder out to Koenig, who clambered aboard. A sailor then threw a rope with a running bowline to Keegan, who man-

with a running bowline to Keegan, who managed to get it under the armpits of the negro, who was hauled out on to the pier.

Keegan was left forgotten in the water, but managed to cling to one of the piles, too exhausted to cry for help. As he was about to let go Martin Casey remembered Keegan was still in the water. Stripping off his outer garments he dropped down into the water alongside him with a rope, and both were soon pulled out.

Dr. Vance resuscitated the men and took Oakley to the Hudson Street Hospital a prisoner, charged with attempting suicide. When asked charged with attempting suicide. When asked why he had jumped into the water Oakley re why he had jumped into the water Oakley re-plied:
"Didn't Our Lord walk on the water? Why

He had a Bible in his pocket, but the surgeons at the hospital said that he had been drinking.

#### LENOX TAX VALUATIONS.

#### Well Known Persons Must Pay from \$50,000 to \$150,000.

[BT TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE.] Lenox, Mass., July 13.—The Board of Asses has completed the valuations of the non-resident property owners and the taxes are being assessed. George H. Morgan's Ventfort Hall is the most valuable property in Lenox, its valuation being placed at \$148,450; Robert W. Patterson's Blantyre \$146.300, John E. Parsons's Stor ver at \$74,200 F. Augustus Schermerhorn's Pinecroft at \$98,150, Frank K. Sturgis's Cliffton Grange at \$34,200, Anson Phelps Stokes's Homestead at \$53,150, Mrs. Robert Winthrop's Ethelwyn at \$48,600, John E. Alexander's Spring Lawn at \$73,000, John S. Barnes's Cold Brook at \$66,800, George G. Haven's Sunnycroft at \$78,500, Morris K. Jesup's Belvoir Terrace at \$83,000, Edward R. Wharton's Mount at \$58,300, George Westinghouse's Erskine Park, a part of which is in Lee, at \$80,000; Charles La-

part of which is in Lee, at \$80,000; Charles Lanier's Allenwind at \$32,200 and Miss Adele Kneeland's Fair Lawn at \$31,000.

There are fifty or more other estates valued at between \$20,000 and \$40,000. The tax rate this year will be \$6.16 per \$1,000.

Mrs. James J. Hill, of St. Faul, who has been at the Root cottage since May, went to-day to the Shaughlin cottage, where she will spend the remainder of the summer with her daughter, Mrs. Samuel Hill, of Washington. John Sloane has engaged Gartland's 19th Regiment band of Albany to furnish music at the garden party to be given Saturday afternoon at Wyndhurst by Mr. and Mrs. Sloane. Sloane.
Richard Gambrill is a guest of Mr. and Mrs.
Girard Foster at Bellefontaine.

## MISS CRAM FATALLY HURT

#### Sister of J. Sergeant Cram Kicked by a Pony.

IBY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE. Pittsfield, Mass., July 13.-Miss Ethel M. ram, who lived with her mother, Mrs. Henry A. Cram, at No. 5 East 38th-st., New-York, was fatally hurt this afternoon while returning from Lenox to Highwood, the country place of Mrs. Cram, in the north part of Stockbridge. Miss Cram had been driving with her young nieces, Charlotte Cram and Helen Haven. She dropped one rein and, in attempting to recover it, was kicked by the pony on the left side of the head, facturing the skull and driving splinters of bone

into the brain. She was carried to Highwood, where Dr. Charles McBurney, Dr. William Pope, Dr. William A. Armstrong, of New-York; Dr. Henry Colt, chief surgeon of the House of Mercy Hospi-tal, in Pittsfield and Dr. E. P. Hale, of Lenox, performed the operation of trepanning. Her death is imminent. She is a sister of J. Serperformed the operation of trepanning. Her death is imminent. She is a sister of J. Ser-geant Cram, of New-York, and Mrs. J. Wood-ward Haven. Mr. and Mrs. Haven were at Highwood at the time of the accident.

#### LOSE VACATION PASSES.

#### Arrest of Ticket Forgers Causes Woe in Pittsburg.

[BY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE.] Pitishars, July 18 .- At the lowest calculation seventy-five people in this vicinity, many of them persons of means, have been shown to be patrons of the quintet arrested last night for defrauding the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad of thousands of dollars in passes.

About seventy-five people were to-day asked to give up vacation passes from Pittsburg to distant points on the Baltimore and Ohlo Railroad. There passes they confessed they had pur-chased for a dollar or two from Richardson, Rid-dell, Reed, Bynon or Huche, who are under ar-

The sums paid for passes range from \$1 to \$3. While the officers who completed the arrests are of the opinion that some of the victims knew full well what they were doing in buying the paper, it has been decided not to prosecute many of the persons, as they clearly did not know all was not right.

#### EIGHT HOURS TO CLAYTON

The Pennsylvania Special." is-hour train, By "The Second Empire" of the New York Central, Leave New York at 255, arrives Chicago next Leave New York 1:57 p. m.; Albany, 4:55; Utica, Leave New York 2:57 p. m.; Albany, 4:55; Utica, Leave New York 1:57 p. m.; Alexandria Bay, 11:60 p. m.—4:51.

#### INTERESTING NEWS ON OTHER PAGES.

M. Witte appointed chief Russian peace envoy. Page 3. Baron Rosen, the new Russian Ambassador, received by President Roosevelt. Page 7. Seventeen deaths from heat. Page 2.

Justice Hooker's associates in Brooklyn testified to his good character. Page 4. Trial of A. H. Hummel and Benjamin Steinhardt set for September 18. Page 4. Bodies lost on yacht Normandie not recovered. Page 2. Excitement in the French Chamber. Page 3.

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### GERMANY AND SWEDEN. GENERAL PORTER HERE.

#### Alliance Seriously Contemplated-Discussed by Emperor and King.

Stockholm, July 13.-The Associated Press is ble to state on good authority that a Germanwedish alliance is seriously contemplated.

The question, it is said, was discussed at the onferences between Emperor William and King scar on board the imperial yacht Hohenzollern, at Geffe, to-day. The conference lasted from two to three hours. King Oscar and his party will remain with Emperor William until he departs from Gefle Friday afternoon.

Besides Emperor William's personal visit, Germany will soon make the greatest naval demonstration in its history in Swedish waters. On July 20 six battleships will arrive at Gothenburg and eight cruisers at Uddevalla, while on August 3 seven battleships, ten cruisers and a torpedo boat squadron are due at Stockholm and Norrkoeping and five battleships at Karlskrona. The government has granted these squadrons permission to enter war ports.

#### DENMARK AND THRONE OF NORWAY.

#### How Report That Prince Charles May Ascend Throne Is Regarded in Sweden.

Stockholm, July 13 .- Charles R. Flint, of New-York, arrived here to-day and had a long interview with Minister of Marine Palander. Mr. Flint declined to state the object of his visit The semi-official "Dagblad," referring to the

cend the throne of Norway, says: It would cause astonishment, not to say worse, if Denmark allied herself with a country which through revolution robbed a lawful king of one of his thrones.

rumor that Prince Charles of Denmark may as-

#### T. F. RYAN'S AMBITION.

#### Wants to Succeed J. W. Daniel in the Senate, It Is Said.

[BY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE.] Richmond, Va., July 13 .- Thomas F. Ryan, of New-York, it is said here, aspires to represent his native State in the United States Senate, and for that reason a conference of his Virginia friends will be held in the near future. Mr. Ryan is still a citizen of Virginia, voting in Nelson County, where he was born. It is said that it is his purpose to succeed Senator John W. Daniel, and that if he can secure this honor he will retire from business.

#### MR. DEXTER GIVES \$45,000.

#### His Contributions to Historical Society Building Now \$245,000.

A gift of \$45,000 was received yesterday by Samuel Verplanck Hoffman, president of the New-York Historical Society, toward the erection of its new home, between 76th and 77th property at \$110,000. John Sloane's Wyndhurst at sts., Central Park West. The gift was made by his clothes. He was wont to wear stylish apin cash toward the building fund and granite for the front of the building. Mr. Hoffman said that Mr. Dexter's gifts in all were equivalent to

This gift, Mr. Hoffman said, would be spent on the erection of the four wails of the central portion of the building and to put on a permanent roof. That does not include the interior finish of the building. The society has about \$80,000, but needs \$100,000 more to complete the central portion of the building. The two wings will cost \$700,000 more,

Mr. Hoffman said that Mr. Dexter's gift was particularly welcome at the present time and that work would be pushed on the building. The basement and first story would be completed and ready for occupancy in the fall, and the second and third stories would be finished with the

Regarding the \$100,000 needed to complete the central portion, Mr. Hoffman said there was an opportunity for some public spirited person to finish off a room, the library, for instance and have it known as a memorial room. In the two wings, the erection of which would cost \$350,000 each, some persons would also find an oppor-

tunity to build memorials which would last.

The Historical Society has from thirteen hursdred to fourteen hundred members, and is con-stantly growing. Under its charter it cannot go into debt, and its building operations are therefore limited to the money in its treasury.

#### SAVES LIFE BY TRICK.

#### Doctor Pretends to Remove Bone Girl Thought She Swallowed.

[BY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE.] Cincinnati, July 13.-The life of Miss Clara Hoffman was saved at the City Hospital to-day through a feat that was both the veriest charlatanism and a scientific application of suggestive therapeutics. Miss Hoffman came to the hospital apparently choking to death with an imaginary bone in her throat. Her condition, especially that of her nerves, was pitiable and most dangerous, and she was almost in the throes of death. No persuasion could convince her that she had not swallowed a small chicken

her that she had not swallowed a small chicken bone, which had lodged in her throat.

Dr. Langdon, the local allenist, was called, and he immediately secured a bone of the sort the girl described between her chokings. By sleight of hand he pretended to withdraw it from the young woman's throat. The next mo-ment she was entirely cured, and left the hos-pital happy and laughing. Dr. Langdon is cer-tain that the girl would have died.

#### FLOATED ON BACK THREE HOURS.

#### Two Others in Party Drowned Through Foundering of Their Boat.

[BY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE.] Ogdensburg, N. Y., July 13.-Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Kerouac, of St. Herbert, who have been married only about a year, were drowned together in La Grand Fourche, Temiscouata County, by the foundering of a boat yesterday in which they were out for a row. Mrs. Dumont, a sister of Mrs. Kerouac, who accompanied them, was picked up alive after having floated in the water on her back for three hours.

#### HARVESTERS WORK BY MOONLIGHT. [BY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE.]

Omaha, July 13.—The shortage of hands in the Nebraska harvest fields is so great that those workmen who could be obtained are working till midnight each night by the light of the moon. The men are paid double price by the farmers for the extra hours they work.

#### Says Jones's Body Was Packed as if for Shipment to America.

General Horace Porter, ex-Ambassador to France, who was successful in finding the body of John Paul Jones, arrived here yesterday on the steamship Deutschland. The general had hardly walked down the gangplank when he was greeted by a crowd of friends, one of whom asked: "General, are you confident that the body you discovered in France is really that of John Paul Jones?"

General Porter smiled at first, and then in all eriousness said:

"I am as positive that the body of John Paul Jones is on its way here across the Atlantic as I am that the body of General Grant lies in the tomb in Riverside Drive, or that the body of Washington is at Mount Vernon. There is absolutely no room for doubt. The identity of the body was confirmed by dozens of French scientists, who studied it and compared it with the medallions, portraits and historical records,

"One of the striking points of the discovery was the well preserved condition of the body. I found the coffin containing the body of Jones among four others. There were names on those coffins which identified the persons buried in them. There was none on the Jones coffin, but for that matter it did not need a name, as the body was sufficient proof in itself. The coffin in which Jones's body was incased was a lead box of splendid workmanship. When I opened the lid I found the body was preserved in alcohol and wrapped in linen cloth, which was also well

"The face was compared with the Houdon bust of Jones in point of size and shape. The anthropologists who made a comparison of the measurements of the body with those taken from history and from the various medallions and busts found that they did not disagree nore than a millimetre. The face was a counterpart of the Houdon bust. The hair on the head was a dark brown, streaked with gray, which compares exactly with the descriptions of Jones given of him just previous to his death, One of the anthropologists discovered a pe-

culiar curl on the lobe of the left ear which tallied exactly with a similar curl on the Houdon "The most interesting fact connected with the identification of the body was that Dr. Capitan. the well known French physician, was able to

make a perfect autopsy of the body. He found the viscera were in perfect condition, notwithstanding the fact that the man had been dead for 113 years. When the abdomen was opened, the alcohol in which it was preserved poured out quite freely. The autopsy revealed all the physical disorders that Jones was known to have had. Dr. Capitan found a fibrous spot in the lobe of the left lung which was caused by an attack of bronchial pneumonia, which Jones contracted in Russia. The autopsy also showed that Jones died from dropsy and nephritis.

"I discovered on the linen shirt which covered the body the initial J, which coincided in its curves with the letter Jones used in marking Henry Dexter, who has already given \$150,000 parel, and the front of the shirt found in the coffin was made of frills and lace.

"The coffin was mummy shaped, and from the way the body was packed in it was obvious that it was the intention of those who had charge of the burial to ship the coffin to America. The body was carefully swathed in linen, and be-tween the linen and the coffin sides was straw packing. The hands were wrapped in tin foil, so that the pitching of the steamer which might convey it to America would not bruise

General Porter said that the great funeral

General Porter said that the great funeral procession in which the body of Jones was carried along the Champs Elysées was the most impressive spectacle that Paris has seen in many years. Continuing he said:

"It was a beautiful day, and the French people turned out by thousands to attend the ceremonles. The French cavalry, artillery and infantry passed by, and their silent salute to the dead American here was soul stirring. I tell you I was proud of the men from our own fleet. They made a noble picture as they passed by the tent of purple velvet, in which the body lay."

A committee of the Sons of the American A committee of the Sons of the American Revolution, of which General Porter was for-merly president general, went down the bay in the revenue cutter to meet him. The com-mittee was composed of W. S. Logan, William A. Marble and Edward Hagaman Hall. General Porter will remain with his son, Clarence, for several months, at No. 573 5th-ave, in this city.

ave., in this city.

### SENATOR GRADY PRAISES HIGGINS.

#### Says He Admires Governor's Personal and Official Honesty.

Albany, July 13.-Senator Grady took the occasion presented this afternoon by the reception in the Senate of several nominations from Governor Higgins to renew his protest against "partisan ap-pointments on what should be non-partisan bodies." At the same time he paid a high tribute to the Governor, of whom he said:

For his personal and official honesty, conscientiousness in public duty and a capable and fearless administration no member of his own political party has a greater admiration and respect for him than I have.

The appointments confirmed were the members of Nichols, of South Onondaga, as Onondaga Indian Agent. the State Water Supply Commission and of Oliver

SICKLES MANSION SOLD AT AUCTION.

### The old mansion of General Daniel E. Sickles. in New-Rochelle, where he was born over seventy years ago, was sold at public auction yesterday to make room for the development of the property into building sites by the Sickles Land Improvement Company. The house, which was once the finest company. The house, which was once the mest in New-Rochelle, was knocked down to John H. Trenor, a retired New-York dancing master, for \$750. Mr. Trenor will remove it from its present location in North-ave, to his own property, and fit it up for a dwelling house.

#### MUTINY AT MOSCOW.

#### No Confirmation of Report at St. Petersburg. St. Petersburg, July 13, 6:40 p. m.-Rumors

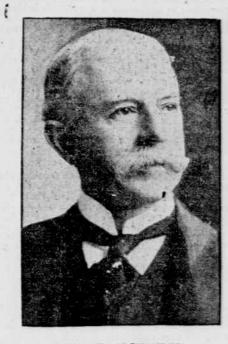
are current in this city that four Grenadier regiments at Moscow have mutinied, and that at Warsaw yesterday certain officers refused to give the command to their men to fire on persons who were making a demonstration. Not the slightest confirmation, however, is obtainable of these rumors.

CONSCIENCE FUND OVER \$400,000. Washington, July 13.-A contribution to the

## Acute Since June 19.

Completely broken down under the strain of the Equitable fight and long years & suffering from a chronic disease, James W. Alexander, the deposed president of the Equitable Life Assurance Society, is in a sanatorium on Long Island, according to one of his friends. His conis so serious that his family is greatly alarmed as to his recovery. One of his sons is with him all the time, his friend said.

Mr. Alexander, according to the informant,



JAMES W. ALEXANDER Ex-president of the Equitable Life, reported seriously ill. (Copyright, 1899, by Rockwood.)

has been on the verge of collapse for a couple of months, and, according to his physician, unable to attend to business. Immediately before his removal from this city he became so much worse that it was debated whether he would be able to stand the fatigue of a journey.

He knows nothing about the latest developments in the Equitable difficulty, it is said. All news of the Ryan trusteeship has been kept from him. He does not know even that he is no longer president of the society. When the profits of the underwriting syndicates were returned on June 25 by Henry M. Alexander, his father was not aware that it had been done, a friend of the ex-president's said last night. Mr. Alexander was taken so ill on June 19 that

law, John W. Alexander, the well known portrait painter, No. 116 East 65th-st. Physicians treated him for a long-continued affection of the kidneys and bladder. His family admitted that his condition was serious, but not necessarily dangerous. All the news of the Equitable situation, however, was kept away from Mr. Alexander, so that when he went to the Onteora Club, in the

Catskills, on June 24, he did not know the de-

tails of the Hendricks report, and had not au-

he was unable to come down to the Equitable

Building. He was at the home of his son-in-

thorized, it was said, the return of his syndicate profits, which occurred the next day. A close friend of Mr. Alexander's last night said that he had not heard that Mr. Alexander had been taken from the Catskills to a sanator-He knew that Mr. Alexander was in serious condition, but had not heard of any dangerous collapse, either immediately before or after his removal fn m town. Mr. Alexander's condition was serious, he said, so serious that his family was keeping from him all knowledge of the more recent events in the Equitable controversy, but he had seen him almost daily during the first few months of the trouble, and knew that at that time his condition, physical and mental, was such that he was entirely able to

#### TORNADO HITS ROSEBUD.

attend to business.

#### Windstorm Kills and Maims in South Dakota.

Fairfax, S. D., July 13.-One person was killed and fourteen injured, two probably fatally, by a ternade which swept a portion of the Rosebud Reservation to-day.

At least three small towns are known to have been struck by the storm. Roy McFadden was killed near St. Elmo. Eight persons were injured at Herrick and several buildings destroyed. At Burke six people were injured, including James Jensen, his wife and baby, the latter two of whom may die.

#### GOV. HOCH ASKS DELAY.

#### Battleship Kansas May Not Be Launched on August 12.

[BY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE.] Topeka, Kan., July 13.—Governor Hoch has asked that the launching of the battleship Kansas be postponed to some later date than August 12, beause of an important engagement he has in Nebraska on that day.

Governor Hoch, when asked what fluid he would when naming the ship, said:

My preference is that the ship shall be christened with water; if the matter is left to me I shall certainly rule that only water be used. If, however, it is the custom of the Navy Department to christen the boat otherwise, and it has the say in the matter, then, of course, I shall be guided by the department's suggestion.

#### NOT VOLCANO'S VICTIM.

#### Wife Does Not Believe Mexican Explorer Dead. [BY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE.]

Salem. Mass., July 13.—The Rev. Peter H. Gold-smith, who is reported to have met his death on the volcano of Mount Colima, Mexico, while ascending alone to take a photograph, is the paster of the Old First Church, in Salem. He left here on June 26 in search of minerals and plant life for the British Museum and Harvard College. He lived for some years in Mexico, had a thorough knowledge of the ountry, and his wife will not believe that he has been lost. She had a letter from him on Sunday, dated at Guadalajara, a long distance from Colima and cannot understand how he could have covered

the distance from Collma in such a short time.

The fact that the report itself comes from the city of Mexico, five hundred miles from Colima, inclines her to the belief that there is some mistake. Dr. Goldsmith is a native of Greeneville, S. C., where he was born in 1865. He was graduated at Furman University in 1884 and at the Baptist Theological School at Louisville in 1888. He was ordained at Greeneville the same year. He has held pastorates at Gallatin and Versailles, and in 1894 was called to the Temple Baptist Church, in Philadelphia, where he built a new church.

LOW RATES TO PACIFIC COAST Treasury conscience fund received to-day carries the amount beyond the \$400,000 mark. The fund was established in 1811.

#### ALLEXANDER COLLAPSES GAGE OF BATTLE DOWN.

#### Declares Equitable Testimony Was Promised.

District Attorney Jerome yesterday afternoon made a formal demand on Robert H. Hunter. First Deputy State Superintendent of Insurance at No. 11 Broadway, for an official copy of the testimony recently taken by Superintendent Hendricks in the Equitable investigation. He sent to Mr. Hunter a long letter, which was delivered at the Broadway office by Assistant District Attorney Garvan. Mr. Hunter had gone for the day, but had left a note saying he would meet Mr. Jerome's representative at 9:30 a. m

In his letter to Mr. Hunter, Mr. Jerome gave some correspondence he had recently with Governor Higgins, beginning with a letter from the Governor on June 22, inclosing a copy of the preliminary report of Mr. Hendricks in the Equitable case, and saying in part:

The findings set forth in the report are based on evidence taken by the Superintendent under the Insurance law. If in your judgment, any of the alleged facts, established by legal evidence, would constitute criminal misconduct, in the county of New-York, on the part of any person. I will, if you so desire, request the Superintendent to submit to you the evidence taken before him.

#### JEROME ASKS FOR TESTIMONY.

Replying to the Governor two days later. Mr. Jerome wrote an acknowledgment of the Governor's courtesy and expressed a wish for a copy of the testimony, saying, in part:

I fully appreciate the great importance of this matter, and would like to supplement my reading of the report of the Superintendent by a personal examination of the testimony submitted to him. I shall give the matter my personal attention, and when I have arrived at some conclusion, I will take the liberty of informing you as to its nature, together with my reasons therefor.

On June 28 Governor Higgins sent to Mr.

Your latter of June 24 is received. I have asked the Superintendent of Insurance to send you a copy of the testimony in the matter of the Equitable So-ciety, which he has promised to do as soon as one can be prepared.

Speaking of the Governor's letters, Mr. Je rome said yesterday that apart from them he had information that left no doubt in his mind that Governor Higgins had given an order to have a copy of the testimony sent to him as the prosecuting officer of New-York County, Knowing the intention of the Governor, therefore, he was surprised at the seeming unwillingness o Mr. Hendricks to furnish a copy of the testimony, and was more surprised that Mr. Hendricks had said the testimony was not furnished because it had not been asked for. Yesterday Mr. Jerome received from Mr. Hunter the fol-

lowing note: The Superintendent of Insurance has forwarded to this office a copy of the evidence taken in the investigation of the Equitable Life Assurance Society of the United States, and requests me to say to you that this evidence is accessible to you and at your command.

#### USES DEDUCTIVE REASONING. Mr. Jerome referred to the note in his letter

f yesterday afternoon, adding:

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This afternoon a dispatch to The Associated Press quoted the Superintendent of Insurance as saying:

"If Mr. Jerome wanted a copy of the testimony, why didn't he ask for it? He has never asked for a copy of the testimony, not, at least, from me; neither at the New-York office nor the Albany office of this department. If he has ever asked for it we have not received any such request.

A copy of this testimony was in the hands of the Attorney General some days since. A copy of this testimony apparently found its way into the hands of "The New-York World," and was in large part published by that journal. I infer from the well known custom of typewriting that more than one copy of the testimony was made. It is at least the custom in my office to have three copies made. One copy seems to be in the hands of the Attorney General, one copy is evidently in the possession of "The New-York World" and your letter informs me.

the custom in my office to have three copies made. One copy seems to be in the hands of the Attorney General, one copy is evidently in the possession of "The New-York World," and your letter informs methat there is a copy in your possession, which, I suppose, accounts for three copies originally made. This morning I sent my assistant, Mr. Turnbull, to you, in view of your letter to me to ask that I receive a copy as promised by the Governor in h letter of June 28, he there saying, as you whanote: "I have asked the Superintendent of insurance to send you a copy of the testimony in the matter of the Equitable Society, which he has promised to do as soon as one can be prepared." My assistant, Mr. Turnbull, informs me, in substance, that you said you would deliver a copy to me if I would give you something over my signature to show that the copy was the property of the Superintendent of Insurance, and would, in addition, state that I would return it within a reasonable time, and when called for.

It is always the habit of this office to receipt for mapers and always the custom of this office to receipt for tapers and always the custom of this office to receipt for the interest of the custom of this office to receipt for the custom of this office to receipt for the custom of this office to receipt for the custom of this office or receipt for the custom of this office.

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I regret that there should be any misunder-standing about this matter, and ask that you de-liver to me, without qualification or conditions, a copy of the testimony taken by the Superintend-eat of Insurance, pursuant to the promise made by the Superintendent of Insurance to the Governor. Upon the delivery of this, I will receipt for it, and will answer to your superiors for its safe custody and return at the proper time. The bearer, Fran-cits Covernor one of my assistants, is authorized to

cls Garvan, one of my assistants, is authorized to receive and receipt for it. In all probability, Mr. Jerome will receive the

#### official copy of the testimony this morning. SAYS JEROME DIDN'T ASK.

#### Hendricks Declares Depew Incident in Equitable "Ancient History."

Syracuse, July 13.-Superintendent Francis Hendricks to-day declined to discuss the leak by which the testimony taken in the Equitable investigation became public. He, however, had something to say about the comment by District Attorney Jerome to the effect that it was funny the news-papers could get a copy of the evidence when he

didn't he ask for it?" said Mr. Hendricks. "He has never asked for a copy, at least not from me. If he has ever asked for it, we have not received

the request." Asked as to why reference to the Depew Im-ovement Company and its exorbitant lean from the Equitable was not contained in the preliminary report, Mr. Hendricks said:

"That was ancient history. We had gone into that before. We told them to call the loan. We marked the valuation of the property down to \$150,000. They objected to that, and we told them that if we made any change it would be less They then foreclosed the mortgage on the prop-Mr. Hendricks declined to discuss the Harriman

#### EQUITABLE EVADED TAX.

#### Hendricks Testimony Officially Released by Mr. Mayer.

[BY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE,] Albany, July 13.—The report of the testimons made public in unauthorized form several days ago was officially released by Attorney General

Mayer to-day.

Careful perusal of the 944 pages of testimony shows that it was rather exhaustively treated in the first publication, but there are a few points of importance which were overlooked; one of the most significant of them is contained in the testimony of John McGuiness, jr., who for twenty-one years has been in the employ of the society, and who now occupies a confidential position with Mr.

Jordan, the Controller.

Mr. McGuiness is the custodian of the ledger of the company known as the "Tax Assessments of New-York City." This book shows that for many years affidavits were made by different officers of the society to the effect that the surplus earnings of the company belonged to the assured, and n to the stockholders. These affidavits were made

# All News Kept from Him-Trouble JEROME TO HENDRICKS.